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Recently promoted to the rank of Master Technical Sergeant in the regular Marine Corps is JOEL WEAVER of Centerville. He is serving on Sasebo Island, Japan, and expects to remain there or in that vicinity until June of 1947.

In a letter received by Mrs. Dallas Paul of Centerville recently, Weaver stated that his first meal when he landed in Japan consisted of turkey canned at the Booth Cannery in Centerville.

Lt. JOSEPH WALLMAN of the Army Air Corps is expected home from the South Pacific at any time.

The ship bringing RICHARD TUCHSEN, HA, USNR, of Centerville, back to the states has docked in Seattle, according to word received here.

Pvt. RALPH E. RUNOLFSON, U.S.M.C., is serving with the Marine Guard at the U. S. Naval Hospital in San Diego. He is the son of Mrs. Lenna Runolfson of Newark.

ARNOLD PHERSON of Irvington, at present serving with the Merchant Marines aboard the S.S. James King in Tokyo Bay. He does not expect to be back in the states until sometime after the first of the year.

Recently promoted to the rank of corporal, STANLEY ALAMEDA is still serving with the Field Artillery on the island of Adac in the Aleutians. Corp. Alameda is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Tony Alameda of Irvington.

A visitor at the Herman Mau home in Centerville last Sunday was Chief Aircraft Radio Technician RICHARD P. FRIDGE. The chief was on his way to his home in Ohio to be discharged after serving four years in the Navy, two and a half of which he was stationed at Moffett Field. He has spent the last eight months aboard the carrier Lexington and saw action in Tokyo Bay.

Sgt. GEORGE HOWARD, husband of Marilyn Howard, Canyon Heights, Niles, has been honorably discharged from the A.A.F. after more than three years in the service. Prior to his discharge, Sgt. Howard was an aerial engineer on B-17s at Hobbs Army Air Field. Before joining the AAF he was employed by the Pacific States Steel Company.

HERMAN AUGUST, coxswain, Niles, is returning with about 500 other high-point Pacific veterans on the heavy cruiser, U.S.S. Louisville, to the United States to be discharged.

The Louisville, a unit of the Navy's "Magic Carpet" fleet, picked up her passengers, men of the 7th Fleet, at Taku, China, and Jansen, Korea.

The veterans will go directly to separation centers nearest their homes for discharge.

C. J. HARVEY, seaman 1/c of Niles, served aboard the 2,100-ton destroyer U.S.S. Vallette, which made an enviable record until an underwater mine brought her World War II fighting to an end.

The ship was commissioned in August, 1942, and saw her first action supporting landings at Casablanca, unscathed. Then she headed for the Pacific. At Guadalcanal she was damaged by a torpedo after shooting down four Jap planes one day and seven the next.

A few months later she was fighting again. At the Solomons, she destroyed six armored barges carrying an undetermined number of Jap troops. The ship took part in the fighting at New Georgia, Kwajalein, Eniwetok, Hollandia and Morotai.

It was after fighting at the Philippines that she struck a mine on a routine patrol. Three days of superhuman effort by the crew saved the ship from sinking and with temporary repairs she came home.

LIONEL GOULART, who has been at Shoemaker, is on his way to Japan. He left last week.

T/Sgt. KEITH COMFORT of the Marines is back in Niles on a 30-day furlough. Since he left here—he was working at the steel mill—he has had a lot of exciting experiences, some of which, like many soldiers, he doesn't care to

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VETERANS, THIS IS JUST FOR YOU!

The editors wish to extend a personal and warm welcome, and a Merry Christmas and a wonderful New Year, to all of you boys in the service who are back home again and are looking forward to your first real Christmas in many years. We know that your friends in the township join us in hoping that the years ahead will bring you contentment and happiness in such measure that the memory of the bitter war years behind will eventually be erased from your memories. Again, thanks boys! And whatever it is you want for Christmas, we hope old Santa will manage to bring to you.

NEW VETERANS HAVE FUN AT LEGION PARTY

It was a Christmas party, the like of which many of those present had not experienced since the war began.

We're talking of the big "welcome home" and Christmas party that the American Legion and Auxiliary gave for the returning veterans and their families last Tuesday night at the Veterans War Memorial building in Niles.

It was an old-fashioned party, the kind the boys in the foxholes often dreamed about, with popcorn, and candy, and fruit, and—yes—even Santa Claus. The always-willing and dependable Frank Veit played the part of St. Nick.

There were plenty of other refreshments too, coffee, and ice cream and cake.

And since no Christmas party is complete without singing, the whole crowd joined forces and sang some of the old favorites, with Mrs. Carl Mohn accompanying them on the piano.

There was even an orchestra, imported from the local high school.

Legion members who were on the committee for arrangements were Joe Perria, George Smith and Manuel Swartz. They were assisted by the following Auxiliary members: Rose Vieux, Mrs. Geneva Smith and Nell Myers.

WASHINGTON FIVE DEFEATS GILROY

The Washington Huskies, after dropping a 54-17 basketball game to Hayward, came back to defeat a cocky Gilroy five, 32-23.

The Washington "Puppies," playing superb ball, walloped the Gilroy B's 30-8.

Nakamura led the Washington varsity in scoring honors by racking up 14 markers. Playing fine ball the whole game, he was the only outstanding player of the two teams.

Washington and Gilroy fought evenly the whole match and only in the last few minutes was Washington able to forge ahead. After edging out a four-point lead in the last part of the game, Washington commenced to stall and put the game on ice.

The Washington "Puppies" had a fairly easy time with the Gilroy B's. Unable to break through the Washington zone formation, Gilroy was forced to take quite a few shots from far out. Only a few times was the Gilroy team able to work the fast break. Little Bobby Rose, captain of the "Puppies," led the scoring for Washington with seven points. Angus was high for Gilroy.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

Through the courtesy of Mr. and Mrs. George Roeding Jr., the Niles Boy Scouts held their Christmas party last night in the Old Adobe on the California Nursery grounds.

The boys prepared their own program, with carol singing and instrumental solos, in addition to other forms of entertainment usually enjoyed by boys.



CHRISTMAS PARTY AT NILES THEATRE

Yes, sir, there IS a Santa Claus! And Niles kids are going to see the jolly gentleman Monday afternoon!

Bill Helm is again opening the doors of the Niles Theater the day before Christmas on the occasion of the annual Christmas party sponsored by the Niles Junior Chamber of Commerce.

The show will start at 2 o'clock Monday—and what a show! Mickey Mouse, Minnie Mouse, Donald Duck, Peter Rabbit and a lot more will be there to entertain the youngsters.

There'll be candy for everybody. There'll even be Santa Claus!

Come on, you kids!

JAPANESE ARE MOST INTERESTING PEOPLE

LOCAL MAN SEES THEM AT FIRST HAND

By PAUL POWER

Paul Power, who served in the Hawaiian Islands, Saipan, and Japan as special agent of the intelligence group of the Army for the past three years, tells of his impressions of the Japanese people, and of his experiences. Mr. Power was, prior to his entry into the war, a teacher of English at Washington Union High School.

The Japanese are an interesting and unfathomable people. Perhaps we as Westerners can never hope to understand them. They live in a world so entirely different from our own, both in traditions and customs, that they can not be judged by our own standards. The fact that they have adopted some of our customs along with the superficial aspects of our civilization will only serve to make the problem of understanding them more difficult.

The traditional politeness of the Japanese is a very real and vital part of their lives. They are polite to each other and to strangers and they are quiet and soft spoken. Courtesy is the keynote of their entire society. And it is not hard to understand why this is so. The majority of the people are raised in crowded homes and neighborhoods where families of eight and ten are crowded into one of two tiny rooms. With paper thin walls separating them from neighboring families quarreling and loud talking are necessarily abolished. Life for the average Japanese would become intolerable if he and his neighbors did not carefully observe courtesy to each other.

JAPS SENSITIVE

The Japanese is exceedingly sensitive. He can not bear to be laughed at. During the occupation, Americans hiring Japanese around Army posts have had to be very careful about laughing or ridiculing the Japanese workers.

ND lo, the star, which they saw in the east, went before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was. When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy. And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary, His Mother, and fell down, and worshipped Him; and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto Him gifts; gold, frankincense and myrrh.

The Gospel according to St. Matthew

REV. E. A. GROVES JR. TO BE ORDAINED IN FIRST SERVICE IN ST. JAMES HISTORY

The ordination of the Rev. Edward A. Groves Jr., next Saturday, as a Priest will mark the first time in the history of St. James Episcopal Church in Centerville that it has had an ordination within its confines. The church is close to 70 years old.

The ordination, with Richard Coombs as master of ceremonies, will take place at 10:30 a.m., tomorrow (December 22).

DECOTO WIFE WAKES TO FIND MATE DEAD

Mrs. Mary A. Vargas, 63, of 501 11th street, Decoto, awoke Saturday morning to find her husband, Bernardino, dead on the floor in the bathroom of their home.

An autopsy showed the cause of death as heart and lung complications. The body was taken to Berge Mortuary at Niles.

Several church dignitaries from out of town will be here to participate in the rites. The Rt. Rev. Karl Morgan Block, Bishop of the Diocese of California, will ordain the candidate. He will be assisted by attending priests who will lay their hands on the head of the candidate in the act of participating with the Bishop in ordination.

The procession will form in Memorial Hall adjoining the church and will move to the front door of the church and down the aisle to the chancel.

Those in the procession will be the Rev. T. C. Harris, rector of Trinity Church, Hayward, who will present Rev. Groves for ordination; the Rev. Dr. Pierson Parker, instructor at the Church Divinity School, who is to be the preacher; the Rev. Marshall Wickham, who will read the Litany for Ordination; the Rev. W. J. Atwood, retired, formerly vicar of St. James, Centerville; and the Rev. F. Philip Dignam, assistant at St. Luke's, San Francisco and soon to take residence at St. Andrew's, Oakland.

Others in the procession will be the attending clergy of the Diocese of California, and members of the student body of the Church Divinity School of the Pacific.

Ushers will be Dallas Paul and H. F. Chadbourne. Alfred Tyson of the student body of the Divinity School will be the organist.

The service or ordination is combined with the service of Holy Communion, that being the most important service of the church; and it is composed of a reading of scriptural references to the early church, a public charge and examination of the candidate, and ordination by the laying-on of hands by the Bishop and attending priests in the presence of the congregation.

Rev. Groves was ordained Deacon last March in Burlingame, and since that time has been in residence as Acting Vicar at St. James'.

He was educated at the San Mateo Junior College, the University of California, and at the Church Divinity School of the Pacific in Berkeley. It was at the latter school that he took his training for the ministry.

His parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Groves, live in San Mateo. The family moved to California in 1930, coming here from Chicago. Mr. Groves Sr. is a Pacific Coast official of a railroad company.

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LOCAL EAGLE SCOUT AND NAVY MAN CAPTURE BURGLAR AFTER WILD CHASE

An ex-convict, a stolen car, a wild chase at 80 miles an hour through heavy traffic on MacArthur Boulevard, on slippery, dangerous pavements were all part of the daring adventure in which two Niles boys, Richard Brunelli, 17, and his cousin, Harry Cesari, took part yesterday, and in which they played heroic and exciting roles.

The adventure started—at least for our two local boys—when a tan Plymouth sedan pulled up in front of the Central Garage in Centerville, owned by Brunelli's father. A young man, possibly 20 years of age, said, "Fill 'er up."

Young Brunelli, who only last week received his Eagle Scout award, "filled 'er up." When he asked for the \$2.31 however, the young fellow in the Plymouth drove off hastily.

Brunelli called to his cousin, Harry, who has only recently been discharged from the Navy, and the two boys sped off in their Chevrolet after the fleeing Plymouth, which was headed down Alvarado Road.

There was a drizzling rain, and the roads were wet and skiddy, and the Plymouth was going pretty fast. But there was something about the fellow—his actions had been wary and strange—that spurred the boys on in hot pursuit.

The first thing they knew they were in San Lorenzo Village, and the man ahead was tied up in a traffic jam. He had bumped into another car which had to pull over to the side of the road.

The two boys thought that now they would get to him. Finally they got close enough so that Cesari jumped out of the car and rushed over to the Plymouth and reached in and grabbed the fellow by the shirt, trying to pull him out.

Luck was temporarily with the fleeing man. The traffic jam eased up, and he spurted out on the highway again, leaving Cesari rubbing his arm.

They dashed on after him, through San Leandro, calling to passers-by to call the police. The pedestrians, agast at this seeming movie-thriller, just stood with their mouths open, however, and did nothing.

On they went, down the main street of San Leandro at 80 miles an hour, through all stop lights.

Finally, at 82nd street, they fortunately ran into another traffic jam. They closed in on their victim and yelled to the car ahead to stall. Thus they had him locked between two cars.

The fellow looked his car doors and closed all windows.

Brunelli and Cesari then spied a police car and hailed it. Even for the police the man wouldn't open up his car; not at first. Eventually, of course, the law won, and the fellow, sullen and surly, was escorted to a patrol wagon, and thence to the Oakland police station.

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At the station it was found that

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CENTERVILLE NEWS

By MAXINE MAU

At a quiet ceremony in Reno, Nevada, this week, Miss Bernadette Mattos of Centerville became the bride of Mr. Kenneth Faria of Warm Springs. Both of the young people are long time residents of the township and both graduated from Washington Union High School. A reception for the bride and groom will be given at the Parish Hall in Centerville Sunday.

Another happy Christmas will be enjoyed by Mrs. Thomas Power of Centerville, being the first time in three years that her son, Paul, will be with her. Power has served in the Hawaiian Islands, Saipan, and Japan as a special agent of the intelligence group of the Army for the past three years. He received his discharge from the Army on November 10.

Mrs. William Mewheimey, who has for the past several months been staying with her sister-in-law, Mrs. Lou Irwin in Irvington, has returned to her home in Wichita, Kansas.

The Christmas Pageant given at the Washington Union High school last Sunday turned out to be a great success. A near capacity crowd enjoyed the beautiful music, singing and lovely scenes. The cast and directors are to be commended for such a superb performance of "The Prince of Peace."

The first league game of the Washington High Huskies against the quintet from Gilroy brought a capacity crowd from the township. Many local service men, home for the first time in months, met there. Perry Allan and Wesley Hammond of Irvington, Kenneth Calhoun, Billy Pine and Harry Querner of Niles, and Ernest Tremblay and Bob Lewis of Centerville were among the men who attended.

New residents are welcomed into Centerville. Moving into the manse of the Presbyterian Church is Mr. and Mrs. Roe Lewis and family. Mr. Lewis is a student of the San Francisco Theological

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Thinking Things Over . . .

By VIVIAN BATMAN



THE BASKETBALL GAME

We went to the basketball game at the high school the other night. I had not expected to take part, but I did and it was fun.

Basketball is an odd game. All the players line up in rows in the balcony of the gymnasium and blow bubbles. I understand now why they call it a "hoop" game. You see, the bubbles are blown through a little round hoop. I still do not understand why they attach the word "basket" and "ball" to the game, however.

Though the players do not seem to all wear the same thing, most of the girls are attired in jeans, with men's shirts. The shirts hang out over the jeans, possibly to give freer action in the process of blowing bubbles. As I men-

tioned above, I had not expected to take part in this unusual and fascinating game, so I did not bring any bubble-blowing materials with me.

But that did not prevent me from playing. The other players would blow the bubbles and when they floated around to me, I could prick them with my hat-pin.

Every once in a while the players would yell out in a body, "There! Did you see that one! A perfect shot!" Then, when they got real excited over somebody blowing a particularly large and beautiful bubble, a couple of girls and a boy would get down in front of the players and start waving their arms around madly and the whole team—that is the odd part, there seemed to be only ONE team—would shout in deafening crescendos something about giving them the axe.

Frankly, I think an axe would have been a little bit hazardous in this game. Hat pins, in my opinion, are safer.

Well, the game grew more and more exciting as time went on. The bubbles grew larger and more plentiful. Everybody was having fun. I heard some mention of a

score; but I, personally, forgot to keep my score. But I'd be willing to bet that I broke somewhere in the neighborhood of 50 bubbles.

I hope someone lets me know when the next basketball is to be played. I certainly would not want to miss it.

Oh yes, I forgot to mention one thing. I believe the authorities should do something about those boys in trunks that were running around down on the floor, tripping each other up. Besides distracting the attention of some of the bubble-blowers in the balcony, they looked rather silly in that get-up, acting like a bunch of hoodlums.

STACKING THE CARDS

When you're going around making your Christmas calls, don't be too impressed by those tall stacks of Christmas cards some of your friends have. All that glitters is not gold, as the saying goes.

Upon close investigation of one of these stacks one year, I found it was "stacked." I mean, cards from several years back had been sneaked in with the current ones. Not a bad idea, that. It gives the impression that you are, oh, so popular.

Y.L.I. PARTY AT SHOEMAKER IS HUGE SUCCESS

The true Christmas spirit, which is, of course, the spirit of giving, was made manifest at the party the De Guadalupe Institute, Y.L.I., put on for the boys in Ward A-2 at Shoemaker Hospital.

The women gave of themselves, by singing and playing. They gave of their time and efforts in the many luscious home-made cakes and candies they brought with them. But most of all they gave to the boys a little respite from care, and pain and worry.

Many of the boys joined in with the girls in singing the old favorite Christmas carols. The group singing was temporarily halted by the singing of a duet by Miss Loretta Lewis and Mrs. Frances Mara, who sang "Oh, Holy Night." Miss Lewis and Mrs. Clarence Crane played the piano for the singing.

Those who made the trip to the hospital included Leona Silva, Agnes Silva, Angie Vargas, Eleanor Perry, Beth Kind, Helen Goularte, Peggy Crane, Frances Mara and Loretta Lewis.

ARMED FORCES

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discuss. He was at Guadalcanal, Tinian, Tarawa and Okinawa. He received wounds, but has refused the Purple Heart. He will report to San Diego following his leave, and will be discharged in 50 days.

HARRY AVILLA of Niles is back in the old town saying "Hi" to old friends. He received his discharge December 18, after three years in the Army, two of which were spent overseas. He took part in five major campaigns, including Normandy and the Battle of the Bulge. It was at the latter place, in fact, that he spent last Christmas. He is glad to be spending this Christmas in a place not so—as he puts it—"warm." He was in the following countries: Luxembourg, Czechoslovakia, Germany, England and Austria. Some other township boys who were with him all the way were Harold Torquemada, Haydn Freitas, Manuel Navas and Joseph Silva. Avilla said he wished to thank the editors personally for getting the paper out on schedule. (Ed. note: Sure does us good to know the boys enjoyed the paper over there.)

Avilla, who formerly worked at the California Nursery, plans to take a little vacation before getting a job again.

WALTER BLAKE Jr. arrived home Monday from Camp Hood, Texas, and expects to be here until December 31, when he will report to Fort Ord, probably to be sent to the South Pacific. He signed up for a year and a half in the regular army.

NO MORE INDUCTIONS

The Selective Service board in Niles is in receipt of a letter from the government informing them that all inductions for the rest of the month of December have been cancelled. This includes also the pre-induction calls.

The only two men from the township who have been inducted in the month of December were William Low, who had moved to Oakland, and Alvin Paniagua of Decoto.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SERVICES

"Is the Universe, Including Man, Evolved by Atomic Force?" This question is the subject of the Christian Science Lesson-Sermon for Sunday. The Golden Text is I Chronicles 16:23, 24: "Sing unto the Lord, all earth; shew forth from day to day His salvation. Declare His glory among the heathen; His marvellous works among all nations."

DRAFT BOARD TO CLOSE MONDAY

The Selective Service Board at Niles announced this week that it will be closed the next two Mondays preceding Christmas Day and New Year's Day, but will be open on two Saturdays, Dec. 29 and Jan. 5, to compensate. The office is customarily closed on Saturdays.

ALVARADO MAN SUCCUMBS
Jose Gonzales Enriquez, 1049 19th street, Alvarado, died at his home yesterday.
He was the husband of Josephine Enriquez.

Niles Theatre

FRIDAY - SATURDAY
CHINA'S LITTLE DEVILS

Harry Carey - Paul Kelly

WEST OF THE PECOS
Serial: "Tiger Woman"

SUNDAY - MONDAY
THE STRANGE AFFAIR OF UNCLE HARRY

Adventures of Rusty
News - Wabbit Cartoon

TUES. - WED.
IRENE DUNNE
OVER 21

BOSTON BLACKIE'S RENDEZVOUS
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Christmas Joy 1945

Measured by the span of years, it has been a long, long time since that first Christmas night, but it might have been but yesterday when we measure the spirit of kindness which Christmas releases.

Christmas means happiness, and Christmas happiness is to be shared. We want to share our 1945 Christmas happiness with you.

SCOTT'S SHOE STORE

NILES



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SAFeway Christmas Shopping List

PRICES EFFECTIVE DEC. 20th THRU DEC. 24th

Here's your guide for a grand Christmas dinner. Just check the foods you'll need for appetizingly different holiday meals . . . then buy them all at Safeway. It's convenient and easy . . . and Safeway prices always save you money.

Appetizers

Wine Monte Cristo Dry Sherry—5th 81c
Juice Here's Health, Veg. Cocktail—No. 2 14c
Juice Here's Health, Veg. Cocktail—4oz. 29c
Juice Town House Grapefruit—No. 2 25c
Apple Cider Western—Gallon Jug 69c
Cucumber Pickles Libby's Fresh—2½ G. 29c
Cashew Nuts Rose—7-oz. Can 59c
Salted Nuts Mixed—Rose—7-oz. Can 63c
Walnuts Diamond Large, Red Label—1-lb. 44c
Mixed Nuts Fancy (No Peanuts)—1-lb. 44c

Soups

Soup Rancho Pasa, Tom, Asp.—10½-oz. 4 for 23c
Soup Campbell's Cream of Spinach—10½-oz. 12c
Soup Campbell's Cr. of Asparagus—10½-oz. 12c
Soup Campbell's Tomato—10½-oz. 3 for 25c
Soup Heinz Tomato—11-oz. Can 11c
Soup Mix Souper Mix Plain—Package 2 for 15c
Soup Mix Lipton Cont. Noodle—Pkg. 3 for 25c
Soup Mix Rancho Onion, Dehy.—Pkg. 2 for 15c

Salads

Cottage Cheese Blossom Time, Cr.—8-oz. 11c
Cottage Cheese Bloss. Time Cr., Far. 16-oz. 19c
Chili Sauce Monte—11½-oz. Glass 17c
Vinegar Old Mill, Cider—Quart Glass 15c

Baking Needs

Gingerbread Mix Duff's—14-oz. Package 22c
Cake Flour Swansdown—44-oz. Carton 25c
Cake Flour a Pastry, Sperry—5-lb. Bag 26c
Cake Flour a Pastry, Sperry—10-lb. Bag 49c
Sun-Maid Raisins Seedless—15-oz. Pkg. 13c
Salt Morton's Plain or Iodized—26-oz. 2 for 15c
Milk Nestles, Borden's, Carnation—Tall 3 for 29c
Baking Powder Royal—12-oz. Can 45c
Sugar Powdered—Ration Stamp—1-lb. Carton 8c
Molasses Brier Rabbit Yel. Label—16-oz. 24c
Honey Beeville—1-lb. Glass 25c
Extract Schilling's Vanilla—1-oz. 19c 2-oz. 33c
Hershey Cocoa ½-lb. Package 2 for 19c
Banana Flakes Kanana—5½-oz. Can 35c

Side Dishes

Corn Highway Gold, Cr. Style—No. 2 2 for 25c
Corn Country Home, Cream Style—No. 2 14c
Corn Del Monte, V. P., Whole Kernel, 12-oz. 14c
Corn Nibbles, V. P., Whole Kernel—12-oz. 14c
Corn Pict Sweet, V. P., Wh. Ker.—11½-oz. 15c
Peas Libby's Garden—No. 2 Can 14c
Peas Green Giant—No. 2 Can 2 for 35c
Spinach Gardendale—2½ Can 15c
Spinach Del Monte—2½ Glass 19c
Tomatoes Gardendale—2½ Can 14c

Beverages

Coffee Nob Hill Whole Roast—1-lb. Pkg. 24c
Coffee Folger's Regular or Drip—1-lb. Glass 31c
Tea Lipton Yellow Label—½-lb. Carton 49c
Malted Milk Borden's Choc.—1-lb. Glass 27c
Orange Juice Treesweet—No. 2 Can 19c
Wine Roma Dry Burgundy or Claret—5th 55c
Wine Fidelis Port, Muscatel or Sherry—5th 73c
Beer Rainier Club—11-oz. Bot.—Plus Deposit 11c
Beer Schlitz—12-oz. Bottle—Deposit 2 for 31c

Miscellaneous Needs

Cubes Bouillon—Blue Ribbon—5's 2 for 15c
Apricots Petite Halves, Unpeeled—2½ Can 23c
Peaches Highway Y. C., Sl. or ½—2½ Can 21c
Olives Bell's Chopped Ripe—4½-oz. 11c
Pickles Libby's Sweet Mustard—14½-oz. 23c
Pumpkin Libby's—2½ Can 2 for 23c
Spudettes Shoe String Potatoes—3-oz. 10c
Tomato Catsup Red Hill—1½-oz. Bottle 12c
Sauce Worcestershire—French's—10-oz. Gl. 19c
Mustard French's Prepared—9-oz. Glass 12c
Marmalade King Kelly—1-lb. 17c
Soup Mix Betty Crocker Veg. Ndl., Pkg. 3 for 25c
Rice Dinners Universal Creole—Pkg. 3 for 25c
Split Peas Washburn Gr., Yel.—1-lb. 2 for 25c
Fruit Cocktail Libby's—2½ Can 29c
Peaches Del Monte Y. C., ½ or Sl.—#2½ 23c
Peanut Butter Howdy Chunk—1-lb. Gl. 25c
Cereal Shredded Ralston—12-oz. Carton 11c



APPLES 2 Lbs. 25c
N. W. Delicious

CELERY 9c
Fancy, Crisp Stalks—Lb.

Prices including produce subject to stock on hand and price changes made necessary by market fluctuations or new regulations from OFA

SAVE WASTE FATS FOR SOAP

FANCY GRAPEFRUIT

Arizona Desert 2 Lbs. 15c
A Holiday cooking need 3 Lbs. 20c
& Yams—A Christmas Dinner "Must" 2 Lbs. 22c
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Fancy, for a fine salad—Lb. 39c
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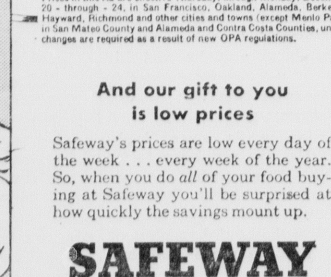
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JAPANESE PEOPLE

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tell you that it is twelve of fifteen miles or whatever it is. He is not being dishonest by agreeing with you even though he knows you are wrong. He is simply being polite and agreeable according to his code. In our work of interrogating the Japanese we had to phrase our questions very carefully to avoid misunderstandings and misinformation.

To the majority of the Japanese the American occupation does not

seem to have any particular significance. They accepted us with apathy just as they had accepted the rule of the Japanese military clique during the war. For many of them it was simply a change in authority and the American troops were probably easier on them than their own military rulers. The majority were friendly and polite, delighted if you waved at or smiled at their children. The better class Japanese were friendly, too, but with more reserve, however. It is this small class of educated, cultured Japanese upon which the future course of Japan depends for they exert enormous influence.

The roads of Japan are terrible. Very few of them are smooth, paved roads such as we take for granted in the United States but if not rough dirt are built of paving stones which are very hard on tires. It is hard to understand how a country with such deplorable highways dared to wage war against the United States.

GOOD RAILROADS

The Japanese railroads are very good, though, and are their chief means of transportation. Japan is the only country in the world whose railroads carry more passengers than freight.

All the roads of Japan are crowded with people, walking or

pulling carts, riding bicycles, filled with thousands of poverty-stricken wanderers with all their worldly goods strapped on their backs. The city streets are equally crowded—so much so it is frequently impossible to drive in a Jeep except very slowly.

FIELDS PRETTY

Rural Japan is lovely. The fields and rice paddies are a pattern in greens and tans and there are meandering streams overhung with willows and birches. The mountains are covered with fir and pine trees and in some places the water rolls over rocky gorges. There is a certain magnificence about the landscape not unlike that of the Northern California and Oregon Coast.

The country people do not live upon their farms but in tiny hamlets called *muras*. Only a few miles outside of very modern cities you have the feeling that you have left the present century behind and have dropped back four, five or even six centuries. There are no tiled roofs out in these *muras* and the houses and barns are built of yellow mud with thickly thatched roofs. These houses stagger along the winding village streets and life within them goes on much as it did during the middle ages. From a distance some of the villages look like old English prints and those on the flat plains look like pictures of bleak, wind swept Russian villages.

LITTLE MACHINERY

The impression of some other century is heightened by the fact that there is little or no machinery of any kind out in the country districts. Mill wheels turned by water power are quite common. You see horse drawn wagons, men dragging carts along the roads or pulling plows in their fields. Water buffalo are numerous. The women as well as the men carry terrible loads on their backs. Out in the country old men as well as women wear kimonos and the children in their padded kimonos look like so many tiny stuffed rag dolls.

Many of these villages are without electricity and at night you will encounter people carrying paper lanterns like those that Americans use for garden parties. At night these bobbing splashes of color make a charming picture along the twisting narrow village streets.

POVERTY

Above all I think I was impressed by the excessive poverty of the Japanese. The majority of the people live close to the border line of starvation all of their lives. The people who live in the *muras* which look so charming and smell so badly (modern sewage has not been introduced in rural Japan) are debt ridden for years. Some of the farmers are so poor that they have to sell the rice they raise instead of eating it and live on a diet of barley and fish. Rice, which is the staple food of the country, is actually not eaten by the majority of the people except on rare occasions.

During the war the country people of Japan fared far better than those living in the cities. They had more to eat and did not suffer from the constant dread of air raids. Life in the industrial cities of Japan seems scarcely bearable.

TOMATO GROWERS URGED TO STAND PAT ON PRICES

The California Farm Bureau Federation today urged growers of canning tomatoes to demand at least the same prices in 1946 as they received last year, and cited the factors which place producers in a "relatively strong bargaining position" to obtain favorable return from canners on next year's crop.

A state-wide Farm Bureau tomato committee, headed by I. N. Robinson of Stockton, went on record that 1946 minimum prices should be \$25 a ton for round varieties, with a two dollar higher differential for Southern California, and \$27 for the pear-shaped varieties.

"The supply and demand situation," the committee pointed out, "is such that there is no reason why growers accept less than these minimum prices."

"In fact it should be possible for growers in many cases to obtain bonuses; and contract offerings in excess of these minimum prices already have been reported to us."

At the same time, the committee issues these warnings to growers:

1. Do not sign open contracts—such contracts leave growers at the mercy of the canners.
2. Ask for free box rental and make sure this provision is written across the face of the contract.
3. Contracts with canners should provide for hauling allowance; and this should be written across the face of the contract.
4. Point of delivery, that is roadside or field, should be specified on the contract.
5. Growers should request a tolerance of at least 7.5 per cent. If canners want a lower tolerance, they must increase returns to producers correspondingly. The tolerance should be written on the contract.

The 1945 tomato crop throughout the United States was small, according to Bernell Harlan, of Woodland, chairman of the Farm Bureau Vegetable Department, representing only 2,857,000 tons as compared with 4,169,900 tons in 1944.

Harlan anticipated California's tomato acreage in 1946 will be materially smaller than it was in 1945 because of increased competition from other crops, and on account of the "dubious outlook for farm labor."

Perhaps there is no more depressing picture in the world than that of the Japanese workers trudging home from work at night in the rain against a background of their devastated cities.

Yet, despite the dirt, the poverty and the disease, there is a charm about Japan, about the winding, narrow city streets; about the gay bravery of the paper umbrellas, about the tiled roofed houses, the village shrines, the twisted pines. . . . The country is like a charming stage set for which a play has been written with all the wrong lines.

COUNTY HAS HUGE JOB AHEAD ON HOME REPAIRS

More than \$29,069,000 is expected to be spent during the next five years by Alameda County home owners on remodeling and repair work.

The year 1946 promises to inaugurate one of the greatest eras in American history for home repairs and modernization, according to estimates released by the Tile Council of America. "Few developments will contribute more to employment and general prosperity in any community," according to R. E. Jordan, chairman of the Council's residential Construction Committee.

Because of lack of materials and manpower during the war, majority of the county's 173,031 prewar dwelling units are in need of some kind of repair or remodeling work. Kitchen improvements and modernization of bathrooms, installation of tiled showers and in some homes addition of a bath, top the nation's list of most wanted major improvements, Jordan said.

Outside paint jobs are needed on more than 50 per cent of homes, and addition of rooms and construction of porches also rank high in remodeling plans, according to

the report. New roofing and heating plants are required by many dwellings.

Home owners in California will spend an estimated \$395,340,000 and those of the nation more than

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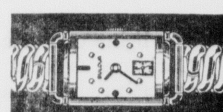
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A Christmas Carol

By Charles Dickens



MARLEY was dead.

Scrooge knew he was dead. Scrooge and he were partners. Scrooge was a tight-fisted hand at the grindstone, a squeezing, wrenching, grasping, scraping, clutching, covetous, old sinner!

Once upon a time—on Christmas Eve—old Scrooge sat busy in his counting-house.

"A Merry Christmas, uncle. God save you!" cried his nephew's cheerful voice.

"Bah!" said Scrooge, "Humbug!"

One day when asked to give to the poor for the festive season, Scrooge replied, "I help to support the poorhouses—they cost enough; and those who are badly off must go there."

AFTER dinner that night, Scrooge went home to bed. A disused bell that hung in the room started to swing. It was succeeded by a clanking noise as if some one was dragging a heavy chain over the casks in the cellar.

It came through the door, and passed into the room. It was Marley! Marley's chain was made of cash-boxes, keys, padlocks, ledgers, deeds and heavy purses wrought in steel.

The Ghost informed Scrooge, "it is required of every man that the spirit within him should walk abroad among his fellowmen; and if that spirit goes not forth in life, it is condemned to do so after death. It is doomed to wander through the world—and witness what it cannot share."

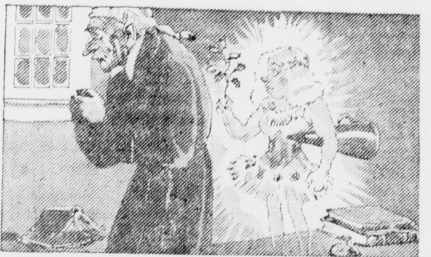
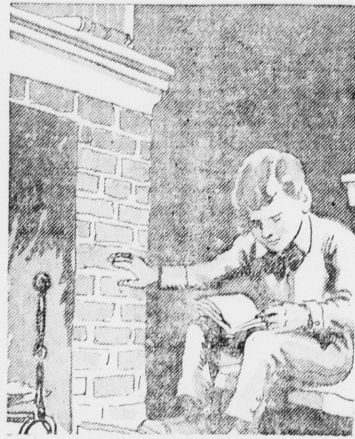
"You will be haunted by Three Spirits. Without their visits, you cannot hope to shun the path I tread. Expect the first when the bell tolls One."

Scrooge awoke and the curtains of his bed were drawn by a small, elfish creature.

"I am the Ghost of Christmas Past," it said.

The Ghost and Scrooge went to a bare room where a lonely boy was reading near a feeble fire. Scrooge wept to see his poor forgotten self as he used to be, and glanced anxiously towards the door. It opened; and a little girl much younger than the boy came in and, kissing him, addressed him as her "Dear, dear brother."

"I came to bring you home, dear brother!" said the child. "Home, for good and all. Home, for ever and ever. Father has sent me in a coach to bring you."



THEY stopped at a warehouse door. It was Forzwin's. A fiddler came and tuned like fifty stomach-aches. They danced and ate. Scrooge found himself by the side of a fair young girl.

"It matters little," she said, softly. "To you, very little. Another idol has displaced me; and if it can cheer and comfort you in time to come, as I would have, I have no just cause to grieve."

"What idol has displaced you?" he rejoined.

"A golden one."

"Spirit!" said Scrooge, "show me no more! Conduct me home. Why do you torture me?"

Scrooge had no occasion to be told that the bell was again upon the stroke of One.

Now his bed became the very core and center of a blaze of ruddy light, which streamed upon it when the clock proclaimed the hour. Living green so filled it that it looked a perfect grove.



IN EASY state upon this couch, there sat a jolly giant. "I am the Ghost of Christmas Present," said the Spirit. "Spirit," said Scrooge, "conduct me where you will."

Perhaps it was the Spirit's sympathy with all poor men that led him straight to Scrooge's clerk. On the threshold of the door the Spirit smiled, and stopped to bless Bob Cratchit's dwelling.

In came Bob, Tiny Tim upon his shoulder. Alas for Tiny Tim, he bore a little crutch.

Master Peter, and the two ubiquitous young Cratchits, went to fetch the goose, with which they soon returned in high procession.

There never was such a goose. Bob said he didn't believe there ever was such a goose cooked.

"God bless us every one!" said Tiny Tim.



HOLDING up his hands in a last prayer to have his fate reversed, Scrooge saw the Phantom shrink, collapse and dandle down into a bedpost.

YES! and the bedpost was his own.

The bed was his own, the room was his own. Best and happiest of all, the time before him was his own, to make amends in!

Running to the window, he opened it and put out his head, calling to a happy urchin in the street.

"Do you know if the Poulterer's have sold the prize turkey?"

"It's hanging there now."

Scrooge had the turkey delivered to Bob Cratchit's. Scrooge then went to church and in the afternoon he went to his nephew's house.

"It's I, Your Uncle Scrooge. I have come to dinner. Will you let me in, Fred?"

Let him in! It is a mercy they didn't shake his arm off. He was at home in five minutes. Nothing could be heartier.



HE WENT to the office early the next morning. Bob was eighteen minutes behind his time. "I am not going to stand this sort of thing any longer. And therefore," said Scrooge, leaping from his stool, and giving Bob a dig in the waistcoat. "I am about to raise your salary."

Scrooge was better than his word. He did it all, and infinitely more; and to Tiny Tim, who did not die, he was a second father. He became as good a friend, as good a master, and as good a man as the old city knew, or any other good old city, town or borough in the good old world.

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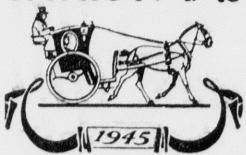


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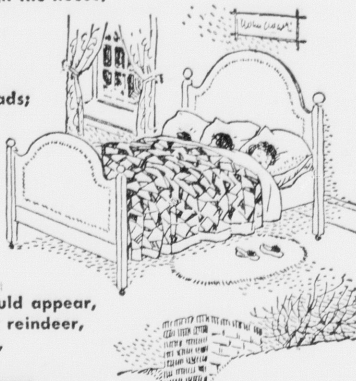
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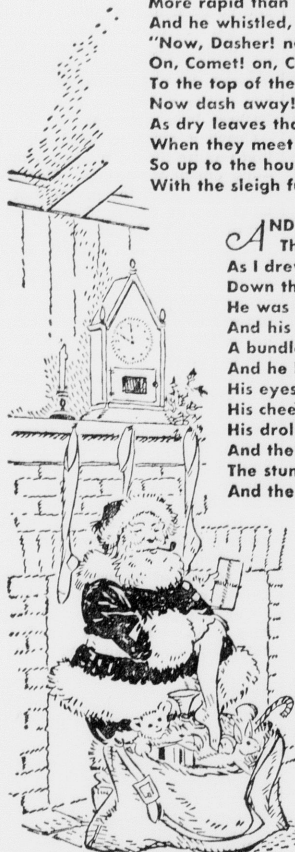
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A VISIT FROM St. Nicholas

It WAS the night before Christmas, when all through the house,
Not a creature was stirring, not even a mouse;
The stockings were hung by the chimney with care,
In hopes that St. Nicholas soon would be there;
The children were nestled all snug in their beds,
While visions of sugar-plums danced through their heads;
And Mamma in her 'kerchief, and I in my cap,
Had just settled our brains for a long winter's nap,
When out on the lawn there arose such a clatter,
I sprang from my bed to see what was the matter.
Away to the window I flew like a flash,
Tore open the shutters and threw up the sash.
The moon on the breast of the new-fallen snow
Gave a lustre of mid-day to objects below...



WHEN what to my wondering eyes should appear,
But a miniature sleigh and eight tiny reindeer,
With a little old driver so lively and quick,
I knew in a moment it must be St. Nick.
More rapid than eagles his coursers they came,
And he whistled, and shouted, and called them by name:
"Now, Dasher! now, Dancer! now, Prancer and Vixen!
On, Comet! on, Cupid! on, Donner and Blitzen!
To the top of the porch! to the top of the wall!
Now dash away! dash away! dash away, all!"
As dry leaves that before the wild hurricane fly,
When they meet with an obstacle, mount to the sky;
So up to the house-top the coursers they flew,
With the sleigh full of toys, and St. Nicholas too...



AND then, in a twinkling, I heard on the roof
The prancing and pawing of each little hoof.
As I drew in my head, and was turning around,
Down the chimney St. Nicholas came with a bound.
He was dressed all in fur, from his head to his foot,
And his clothes were all tarnished with ashes and soot;
A bundle of toys he had flung on his back,
And he looked like a pedler just opening his pack.
His eyes-how they twinkled! his dimples how merry!
His cheeks were like roses, his nose like a cherry!
His droll little mouth was drawn up like a bow,
And the beard on his chin was as white as the snow;
The stump of a pipe he held tight in his teeth,
And the smoke, it encircled his head like a wreath...

HE had a broad face and a little round belly
That shook when he laughed, like a bowl full of jelly.
He was chubby and plump, a right jolly old elf,
And I laughed when I saw him in spite of myself;
A wink of his eye and a twist of his head
Soon gave me to know I had nothing to dread;
He spoke not a word, but went straight to his work,
And filled all the stockings; then turned with a jerk
And laying his finger aside of his nose,
And giving a nod, up the chimney he rose;
He sprang to his sleigh, to his team gave a whistle,
And away they all flew like the down of a thistle,
But I heard him exclaim, ere he drove out of sight,
"HAPPY CHRISTMAS TO ALL, AND TO ALL A GOOD NIGHT!"

By Dr. Clement C. Moore

Christmas QUIZ

1. The national Christmas tree of America is located in (a) Indiana, (b) New York, (c) California, (d) Texas. ☐
2. The poinsettia plant owes its name to (a) Stanley Coulter, (b) Howard E. Enders, (c) James Madison, (d) Joel Roberts Poinsett. ☐
3. Mothers in America are overwhelmingly agreed that they (a) should, (b) should not teach their children to believe in Santa Claus. ☐
4. The nation's Christmas tree was dedicated on Christmas day (a) 1918, (b) 1925, (c) 1935, (d) 1940. ☐
5. If the sun shines through the apple tree on Christmas day, there will be (a) good, (b) medium, (c) bad crops the following year. ☐
6. A warm Christmas gives a (a) cold, (b) warm, (c) hot, (d) cool Easter. ☐
7. There are (a) 4, (b) 100, (c) 450, (d) 800 varieties of mistletoe grown in the various parts of the world. ☐
8. The mistletoe is the state flower of (a) Florida, (b) Delaware, (c) Oklahoma, (d) Mississippi. ☐
9. New England mistletoe is so

- small that botanists overlooked it until (a) 1776, (b) 1871, (c) 1900, (d) 1930. ☐
10. Rings of mistletoe were worn around the neck to prevent sickness in (a) Denmark, (b) France, (c) Spain, (d) Sweden. ☐
- ANSWERS:
1. (c) California.
2. (d) Joel Roberts Poinsett.
3. (a) Should.
4. (b) 1925.
5. (a) Good.
6. (a) Cold.
7. (d) 800.
8. (c) Oklahoma.
9. (b) 1871.
10. (d) Sweden.

Each correct answer counts a score of 10 points. Correct your own answers.



★ Of far greater value than the most precious jewel or the most costly gift is happiness and peace of spirit. Could we wish more for you this Christmas season than its attainment?

For your fine co-operation and loyalty to us in 1945 you have our lasting gratitude.

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Insurance and
Real Estate
NILES

FROM EACH OF US
TO ALL OF YOU



There's no place like home when Christmas comes around, and there's no time like right now to wish all you kindly home folks the merriest Christmas ever.

It has been a privilege and a pleasure to have served you in 1945, and we look forward to your continued friendship.

COZZI VARIETY STORE
NILES

Christmas Plant Was Named for U. S. Diplomat

Poinsettia Brought Here From Mexico Adopted As Christmas Plant.

Poinsettias which have come to be a "must" for home Christmas decorations owe their name and popularity to an early American diplomat, botanist and scholar—Joel Roberts Poinsett.

Nearly a century and a quarter ago, Poinsett, then U. S. ambassador to Mexico, first brought cuttings of the "fire plant" to his South Carolina home. Carefully he tended the transplanted tropical beauty. Under his skillful hands the flower thrived and improved.

Soon the fame of this colorful new

plant spread to other states and Robert Buist, a Philadelphia botanist, bought some cuttings from Poinsett. He named them euphorbia poinsettia.

Since that day enthusiasts not only in the United States but throughout the world have continued to improve the poinsettia, until today there are a score of varieties from giant six-foot stalks to diminutive dwarfs, double and single varieties, green poinsettias with red veins, white varieties and a gradation of reds from the traditional flaming scarlets to pale pinks.

Besides serving as ambassador to Mexico, Poinsett was a member of congress from South Carolina and served as secretary of war in President Van Buren's cabinet. He was a personal friend of Presidents Madison, Monroe, Jackson and Van Buren.

There are blocks in San Francisco where 1450 people live, a density of 725 persons per acre.



THERE are a thousand and one ways of extending the season's greetings to you, but no words we can put into writing, no words we can frame with our lips, ring with more sincerity than the old-fashioned greeting—

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO YOU

ARTHUR JACOBSEN
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Today's grownups are only yesterday's children who once stood before a fireplace on the Christmas Eves of the past, or who, just before Christmas, were as good as they could be.

The heart of the Christmas season is friendship and eternal youth, and we could not ask for finer friends than ours. It makes us happy to greet all our friends this Christmas season of 1945 with the best of Yuletide wishes.

HOLLAND'S FOOD STORE
That Modern Store in Centerville

Christmas Joy

NOW COMES nother Christmas to be added to your store of memories... May it be a very enjoyable one. ACCEPT OUR THANKS for giving us the privilege of serving you in 1945.

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VICTORY LAUNDRY
PHONE NILES 4567



To One And All

CHILDREN looking out of the window at a desolate landscape try to catch a glimpse of a mythical sleigh drawn by mythical reindeer. But there is naught that is mythical about the spirit of Christmas that transforms the commonplace. That Christmas of 1945 may be for you the happiest Christmas of all is our sincere wish.

COLUMBIA GRILL
NILES



A GOOD WAY to keep Christmas well is to bring joy to everyone we can. This, we believe, is the spirit of this community... one of the important reasons why living here affords such genuine pleasure.

To you who have stood by us so faithfully during the year 1945 we wish a whole world of happiness pressed into this Christmas season. Merry Christmas to you and to every member of your family.

CRANE GARAGE
NILES

What Is Christmas Without Toys?



There is no shortage of toys, although the trend has been toward metal or educational types. Dolls have not been forgotten, however.

Christmas Card Is Century Old

The centennial of the Christmas card is being observed this year. It was in 1845—just 100 years ago—that the first Christmas card was designed and distributed.



The custom established by Dobson found numerous devotees. In 1846, an English nobleman, Sir Henry Cole, commissioned an artist, John Calcott Horsley, to design a Christmas card for him.

According to one story, Sir Henry Cole had received such a large number of holiday letters that he could not find time to answer them all. As a means of solving this problem,

he called in Horsley and asked him to design an appropriate card.

Horsley's first Christmas card depicted a Victorian English family enjoying the holiday. Except for the profusion of detail, the card is like many of the modern greetings. The traditional "A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year" was inscribed on the card, with blank spaces for filling in the name of the sender and the recipient.

From this beginning a century ago, the custom of sending Christmas cards has spread across the ocean to the United States where it has become a traditional part of the holiday observance.

The Irish language must be taught in every national school in the Irish Free State.

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TOWERING ABOVE A CARE-BOUND WORLD IS THE CAREFREE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS. INDEPENDENT OF TIME, INDEPENDENT OF PLACE, INDEPENDENT OF CIRCUMSTANCE, IT EMBRACES ALL. NONE CAN ESCAPE ITS MAGIC SPELL.

FOR YOUR MANY EVIDENCES OF GOOD WILL IN 1945 WE SINCERELY THANK YOU.

WHITAKER PHARMACY
NILES

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368 RIVERSIDE AVENUE, NILES

Balsam Fir Chosen by Heavenly Messengers

According to Ansgarius, who converted the Vikings to Christianity, the Lord sent Faith, Hope and Charity to earth to select His Christmas Tree.

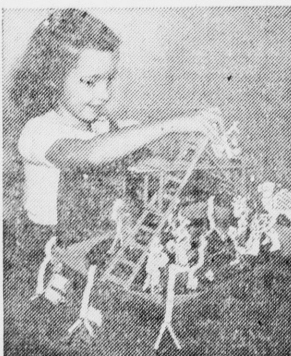
They selected the Balsam Fir because it was as high as Hope, as wide as Love, and bore the sign of the cross on every branch.

Constructive Toys Make Better Gifts

When you buy toys for children, give a thought to their constructive qualities. How much can they do with the gifts you are providing them? Will they soon tire of them and go back to the good old spoons and pans in the cupboard that they can do so many things with? If you buy a doll, get one that can be dressed, bathed and brushed. If a boy wants a doll, let him have it. Fathers love children.

Growing children need big toys that require lifting, tugging, running—movement of muscles. Blocks are ideal. Think of the things that can be done with them! One carpenter out of work made quite a good thing last Christmas of children's blocks. He collected odds and ends of boards at the lumber yard, planed them off smoothly, painted them gay colors and sold them in lots of a dozen up to 100. Wagons, cars, scooters, skates, sleds, and skis are good. But the toy should suit the age of the recipient. Every boy should have a ball of some kind. Boys like trains, but wooden blocks painted to resemble cars are better than the kinds that can run only on tracks. Girls are pleased with rolling pins, doll beds, houses, trunks, small chairs and tables, and dishes. One mother writes that her son's most cherished gift last Christmas was five pounds of assorted nails given him by an understanding uncle.

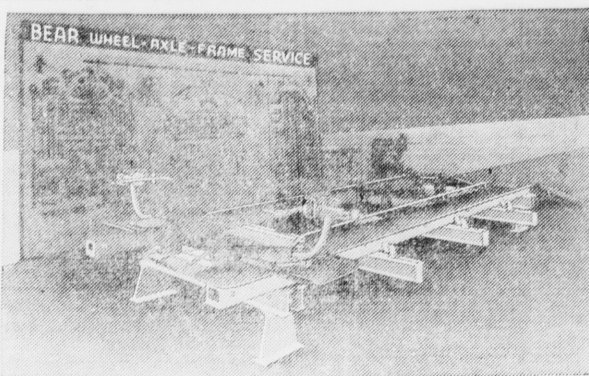
For older folks, books and Christmas just seem to go together as naturally as bread and jam, or



Educational toys are popular.

ham and eggs. A home-made book may make a hit. It may consist of leaves of brightly colored cambric, ten colors in all, sewed securely through the middle to hold them together, and with pinked edges.

Charles Ferson Durante, first American balloonist, made an ascension over New York City September 9, 1830, before a large crowd which included President Jackson.



MODERNIZATION of his garage, the Central Chevrolet Company, is presently being accomplished by Romeo Brunelli. Already installed is the Baer system for aligning automobile frames and front ends, and for wheel balancing. Brunelli has rearranged his shop for more efficient service and inaugurated an automobile painting department.



A Salute

to our friends and a big, hearty Christmas wish to you all, this merry, merry Christmas season.

Looking back over the year calls to mind our greatest source of pleasure has been our contact with folks like you.

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DAVE'S JOYNT
IT'S TOPS!
NILES



WHEN we see little boys and girls shaking hands with Santa Claus this thought comes to mind:

We would like our expression of appreciation for your patronage to be a hearty shake of the hand for each of you. As we seem to be denied this opportunity, please accept this, while a substitute for a handshake, as no less sincere in wishing you a

HAPPY CHRISTMAS

Unselfish interest in others is the keynote of happiness at this Christmastime. May each gift you receive breathe love and devotion and bind the ties of home and friendship more securely.

As for ourselves, we desire to express our appreciation for your loyalty to us in 1945, and wish you a Merry Christmas.

CHAS. WAUHAB
Real Estate : Insurance

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SQUARE DANCERS READY TO MEET AFTER JAN. 1

Because of the enthusiastic response that greeted the announcement that a group of square dancers is to be formed in Niles, plans are moving forward towards completion. Already, 23 persons have signed up for the class which is free and open to the public, and the first meeting will be held in the early part of January, the exact date to be announced later.

The group, as part of the adult education program of the local

high school, is being sponsored by the Niles unit of the P.T.A. Those who wish to take advantage of this entertaining and worthwhile form of recreation may register with Mrs. L. A. Mayer, phone Niles 3262.

The dancers will hold their meetings in the auditorium of the Niles grammar school, under the direction of Mr. O'Neill, experienced square dance instructor from Irvington.

The city of Sonora, Tuolumne county seat, was incorporated May 1, 1851.

The giant California condor, almost extinct, can still be found in the Santa Lucia mountains.

SHELL OIL BUYS \$15,000 IN BONDS

P. R. Wing, manager, this week announced the purchase of \$15,000 worth of Victory Bonds as Shell Oil Company's share in the local Victory Loan Drive.

Communities throughout the western states will share in a \$15,000,000 Victory Bond subscription by Shell Oil Company, Incorporated, Pacific coast territory.

This sum is the same as that representing bond purchases by Shell in both the Sixth and Seventh War Loans, company officials said.

The \$15,000,000 is in addition to the individual bond quota set for Shell's 10,000 employees in the west. Purchases on regular monthly payroll deductions by employees recently passed the \$10,000,000 mark.

San Jose State College is the oldest public educational institution in California.

THE STAR OF BETHLEHEM

AGNES
MYERS



The little village of Bethlehem, hardly more than a half mile wide, and only a single street in length, had houses of white stone with small domes, and were snuggled in the dark foliage of olive trees. Fig groves and vineyards adorned the rocky terraces close by. It was a land which held many sacred memories. There was the spot where Jacob had his first great grief, when his beloved wife Rachel was buried; and yonder were the fields where Ruth, in the early days of Israel, had come to reap barley and walk with Naomi, in the evenings, beside a gentle brook. It was to this land that Joseph and Mary were coming, the early home of their own great grandfather David, who had kept his father's sheep on these very hills and had learned to sing the songs of praise to God.

The ascent to the town, over the dusty glare of grey limestone hills, was the last of their journey and was so steep that Mary had to alight from her donkey and go up on foot. Presently passing through a low gate, she and Joseph were at last in the mountain town of Bethlehem.

In those days, the simplicity of life made the passing wayfarer welcome in the homes. To bring water at once to wash the traveler's feet, dusty with the Eastern sandals, was an act of courtesy. Food and lodging for himself and his beasts were provided, and the traveler was made to feel that he was under the sacred protection of his host. However, when Joseph and Mary reached Bethlehem every house was filled, for travelers had been journeying there in great numbers because of the census. Even the Inn, which was a crude building, consisting of a single empty room, on the floor of which a traveler could spread his carpet for sleep, was filled to overflowing.

The only place they could find shelter was in an old stable, which had been built in a natural hollow, or cave, on the hillside. The stable was in darkness. The deep breathing of sleeping cattle, cows and donkeys warmed the chill air. Hay was strewn about and with the aid of his lantern, Joseph soon made a comfortable place for them to sleep.

However, the dim light of his lantern was soon overpowered by a great illumination from heaven. The old stable was presently filled with light, and beams as radiant as the sun shone all about. A wonderful thing had happened, a little child had been born and Mary His mother had wrapped Him in soft swaddling clothes and laid Him in a manger. The gentle rustle of wings was heard in the air and snowy white angels hovered over the manger. With joyous song they greeted the little messenger of mercy and love—the Christ Child—whom God had sent to the world; the little King who had been born in a lowly stable and laid in a cradle of hay.

The sleeping hills were now flooded with celestial splendor. An angel of the Lord, in an intense sheath of light, came from heaven and surprised a group of shepherds near the ancient watchtower of Eder, announcing to them the birth of the Holy Child. Multitudes of angels sped the sky, spreading tidings of joy afar. Music rang throughout the land, music of the angel host. The great gospel anthem fell upon the earth in all its divine beauty and thrilling force, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men." The shepherds ran up the steep road to Bethlehem and seeing the star that God had placed over the stable, found the King of Glory and worshipped Him with adoration pouring from their hearts.

The same star that burned over the sacred manger that night had brought other men from a far off country; Wise Men from the East. They, too, had seen the sign in the sky, heralding the birth of a King. The star had guided them over mountain, valley and parched deserts, till at last they reached Bethlehem. Their camels walked one by one through the narrow streets, bearing their rich burden, for these men were kings of great wealth. The star pointed to the stable; the camels knelt before the open door and the Wise Men unloaded the treasures they had brought; boxes of gold, sweet perfumes and rare spices. They laid their gifts at the feet of the smiling infant in the manger, and fell upon their knees in fervent worship of Jesus the Saviour.

Alvarado School News

By Gilbert Cicairos

Alvarado school is entering the Hayward basketball tournament. The members of the squad are:

Vernon Michado, Gilbert Cicairos, Carlos Renteria, Glenn Bachelder, Robert Jones, Benito Garcia, Salvador Dominguez, Joaquin Preciado, Cruz Rosendez, Mervin Perry, Henry Andrade and Gilbert Villarreal.

We played Mt. Eden football and defeated them twice. The scores were: Alvarado 3, Mt. Eden 7; Alvarado 8, Mt. Eden 0.

YULE PARTY FOR NILES REBEKAHS TONIGHT

A Christmas party will highlight the meeting to be held by the Niles Rebekah Lodge tonight.

After a short business session, the affair will be given over to fun and festivity, with Mary Rose, Jennie Mohn and Ellen Mohn taking charge.

There are about 325 churches of 24 different denominations in San Francisco.

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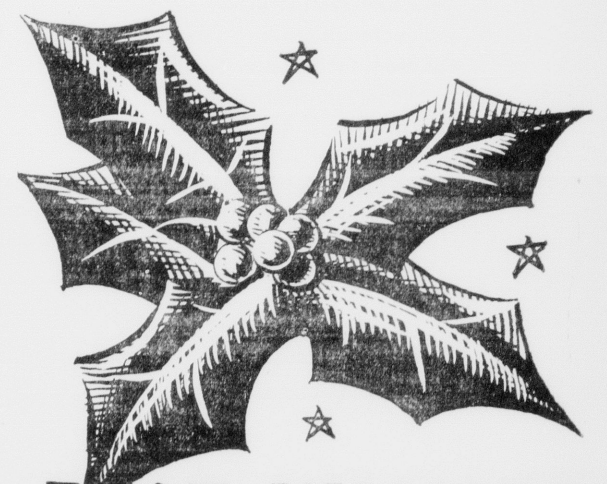


Christmas Is All of These

Christmas is the good will shared at the family hearth; the carol sung together; the candle in the window, the glowing faces gathered around the festive board. And it is much more—ever so much more!

We cannot begin to put into words all that Christmas is, nor begin to express how ardently we wish for you the complete enjoyment of Christmas. So, all we can say to you, kind friends, is Merry Christmas To You.

P. C. HANSEN LUMBER CO.



BEST WISHES

for a

MERRY CHRISTMAS

and a

HAPPY NEW YEAR

This is the happiest holiday season the world has enjoyed for many a year. We all hope for everlasting . . . Peace on earth, good will to men. . . To you, whom we have had the pleasure of serving throughout the year, we extend our thanks. Caterpillar Tractor Co. joins with us in wishing you a very Merry Christmas and a Peaceful, Prosperous New Year.

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To each of us the word Christmas summons many happy memories. To some it recalls a ride over the frozen countryside to grandma's, sleigh bells tinkling all the while. To others it recalls happy reunions in mirth-filled living rooms, gay banquets and glowing Christmas trees. But to all it recalls days of charm and endearment, the happiest days of our lives.

May you know this happiness in all its fullness once again, dear friends, this Christmas season of 1945.

NILES MARKET

THE RED & WHITE STORE

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CHRISTMAS



GREETINGS

1945

As the Shadows

fall on the close of another year, we desire to express our deep appreciation of your good will and friendship, and to wish for you during the Christmas season of 1945 all the better things that life affords.

E. B. HICKS

UNION OIL STATION

Niles



CHRISTMAS IS THE TIME

for friendliness, for the open house and the open heart

It is the time, too, for us to greet our friends, to thank them for their consideration of us, and to wish them all a very Happy Christmas.

Central Chevrolet Company

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FARM NEWS

NEW HOPE FOR PINK EYE PREVENTION

Every dairyman and cattleman will be pleased to hear that the germ which causes pink eye has been isolated. What dairyman or cattleman has not experienced this trouble which often blinds valuable animals?

Farm Advisor T. O. Morrison

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST—NILES

A branch of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Massachusetts. Regular services are held as follows:

SUNDAY SCHOOL 10 A.M.
MORNING SERVICE 11 A.M.
Wednesday Evening Testimony Meetings, 8 o'clock. Reading Room is open Tuesday and Saturday afternoons, 1 to 3, and Thursday evenings, 7 to 9. Church edifice is at Second and E Streets.

says that Dr. Kenneth G. McKay, specialist in veterinary science of the Agricultural Extension Service, reports veterinary research workers at state universities have found that the disease is due to a rod-shaped germ which they have isolated from the eyes of cattle suffering from pink eye. They have reproduced the disease when the germ culture was tested on healthy cattle.

In no instance was the germ found in the eyes of normal cattle, but it was found that cattle which had apparently recovered from pink eye may serve as carriers and spread the disease for several months after recovery.

Discovery of the germ may make possible the development of methods of combating the disease, Dr. McKay says, but much additional research will be necessary before this can be accomplished.

FARMERS' OPINIONS ON PRODUCTION

Most farmers expect to increase

their production, and they said so themselves in a recent survey made by the Association of National Manufacturers.

Sixty per cent of the farmers interviewed plan to increase or maintain the present volume of production. Thirty-seven per cent of the cotton farmers expect to increase their acreage. In livestock production, 26 per cent expect to increase their acreage. In livestock production, 26 per cent expect to increase their acreage. In livestock production, 26 per cent expect to increase their acreage.

Decrease of farm prices is experienced by 52 per cent of these farmers.

CHECKING DETERIORATION IN FARM BUILDINGS

Farm building construction which has been curtailed seriously by the war years will shortly show a marked increase. The Agricultural Extension Service is interested in aiding farmers to construct better buildings for longer life, always the cheaper in the long run. Woodbridge Metcalf, extension forester, suggests the following building rules for this objective.

1. Put in a good foundation which will keep all wood away from contact with the ground.
2. Install sufficient vents under the building to insure good circulation of air and be sure there are no leaks from the roof into wall spaces.
3. Use well seasoned lumber if possible.
4. If you build with unseasoned lumber, dip it in a good fungicide solution or give a thorough brush treatment with a good wood preservative. Do not build unseasoned lumber into tightly sealed compartments from which moisture cannot escape.
5. Where rotting is already taking place in older buildings, remove the infected material and replace with wood which has been treated with creosote, pentachlorophenol or other wood preservative. Be sure that new saw cuts, bolt holes, and seasoning checks are brushed with the same preservative. This is particularly important at all points near the foundation which may be subjected to moisture.

WHAT SIZE POULTRY BUSINESS?

Veterans and war workers thinking of poultry farming must determine the size of their plant and their flocks. Some estimates have been prepared on the minimum upon which a family can depend for a decent living by Arthur Shultis, specialist in farm management of the Agricultural Extension Service.

"It is important for the poultry business to be large enough to support the operator and his family when necessary," Shultis says. "In general, one man can care for an annual average of 2,000 to 3,000 laying hens. A commercial egg flock of 2,000 hens is the minimum from which a family can derive a decent living. A flock of this size should afford an average annual income of around \$2,000. Two-

Santa Claus Is Bearer of Gifts In Many Lands

Mothers of America are overwhelmingly agreed that parents should teach their children to believe in Santa Claus.

At least that is the conclusion drawn from a recent opinion poll by a leading woman's magazine.

One of the women polled made an answer typical of many: "Belief in Santa Claus is one of the beautiful wonders of childhood. It gives us a period in which dreams come true and anything is possible."

Christmas is like heaven on earth for the very young, the magazine points out. But as America moves from war to peace, there is an inevitable emphasis on reality and truth. No one wants to fool or be



They knew he would come.

fooled. Therefore, should even happy myths be promoted? Should children still be taught to believe in Santa Claus? Should they enjoy all the magic of childhood while they can, including the tradi-

men or two-family size units may contain 4,000 to 7,000 hens, and one man may be able to get away for a day or two at a time for vacations.

"In the production of poultry for meat, an annual number of 12-15,000 fryers or 18,000 broilers would be the equivalent of a one-man unit, comparable with 2,000 laying hens. A combination, such as production of 3,000 fryers and egg production from 1,000 hens of the heavier breeds, is about equivalent in net income to the other minimum sizes suggested.

"Commercial poultry production can be profitably conducted in practically any part of California, but a location close to one of the large consuming centers should be selected. Most commercial poultry farms are within a radius of 60 miles from San Francisco, Los Angeles, Sacramento, Stockton, San Diego, or Fresno."

Information about buildings and other equipment required for poultry flocks of the size Shultis recommends will be supplied through the local offices of the Agricultural Extension Service, basement post office, Hayward.

tional myths, or should they be told the truth in preparation for the adult world they must some day face?

Considering these questions, the opinion poll asked a group of women representing a cross-section of millions of American homes, "Do you think parents should teach their children to believe in Santa Claus?"

The response was decisively affirmative. More than 87 per cent of the women voted "yes."

"If a child thinks of Santa as a man there will be eventual disillusionment," commented one woman. "But Santa portrayed as the spirit of giving remains a beautiful idea." Another woman pointed out: "Santa is as real as Uncle Sam."

Evolution Given Of Santa Claus

St. Nicholas and Santa Claus met at the Sunday School Christmas party and, being sort of busy right then, agreed to rendezvous at midnight under the Christmas tree.

St. Nicholas, a lean Asiatic wearing his miter and canonical robes, spoke first:

"I lived in Asia Minor some 1600 years ago. I was Archbishop of Myra and, while living on earth, I did drop a few purses of gold down a poor man's chimney so his daughters could be supplied with dowries. European countries celebrate my liturgical Feast Day—December 6—as a day of gift-giving and for centuries I rode across Europe on my old gray mare; my pockets bulged with apples and nuts and trinkets, which I gave to good children while switching the naughty



Santa at army outpost.

ones with my bundle of birch rods. But what is all this Christmas business—and where did that red suit come from?"

"When the Dutch settlers came to America," replied Santa Claus, "they brought many legends about St. Nicholas with them. These legends, with writers and cartoonists cooperating, gradually slipped into American traditions; Santa Claus started coming around at Christmas time; Washington Irving suggested the sleigh and reindeer in 1809; Thomas Nast supplied the red suit, and Dr. Clement Moore sort of tied the whole idea together when he wrote 'The Visit of St. Nicholas' in 1822."

Someone forgot to turn out the lights after the Sunday School party—and St. Nicholas was so interested in Santa's zippered boots that he forgot his bundle of birch rods.

OUR READERS WRITE

Irvington, Calif.,
December 17, 1945.

Editor, Township Register:

Sir, I chide you! Had you examined the Life article with greater care you would have noticed that "Their most important discovery was a complete set of horns of a rare species of antelope named Tetrameryx irvingtonensis Styrton. I would argue, sir, that Irvington is therein named, even tho it might take a paleontologist to recognize it.

BILL O'DONNELL.

VISIT ST. JUDE'S

Rev. John Connery, assistant pastor of Holy Ghost Church, Centerville, was welcomed at St. Jude Institute on Tuesday evening. He has been appointed chaplain to replace the late Rev. Hugh Ryan.

NEWARK CHURCH YULE SERVICES

Newark Presbyterian Church in-mar school, at 7:30 p.m. Theeash vites the community to three special Christmas services. Friday, December 21, at 7:30 p.m., in the Newark Grammar school, the church school presents a religious and social program. Mrs. Mabel Wright is chairman of the committee.

Sunday at 10 a.m. will be the Christmas service planned particularly for children. The Young People's Choir will sing two anthems and Rev. James M. Brown's sermon topic will be 'Love Selects Its Gifts.'

Sunday afternoon at 5:00 p.m., the Presbyterian parish will have a pageant in the Irvington Community Church.

The special Christmas offerings will be sent to Europe to help restore the churches ruined by bombings. Anyone who can help this cause, please contact the minister.



When Snow Lies Softly on the Hill

Now, when the fir trees wear white collars, when the birds make tiny stitches in the snow and our footprints hurry towards the warmth of home and the companionship of loved ones, it's time to wish all our friends the fullest joys of the Christmas season. So, hello everybody... and Merry Christmas!

NILES GARDEN BASKET

JOE BOLIBA, Prop.



AS the light of Christmas again brightens our faces and lightens our hearts, we turn our thoughts from ourselves to help others. For this is the spirit that first saw the light of day in a stable at Bethlehem, two thousand years ago, and which has endured ever since.

May God bless and protect you and your dear ones and bring happiness to your home this Christmas season.

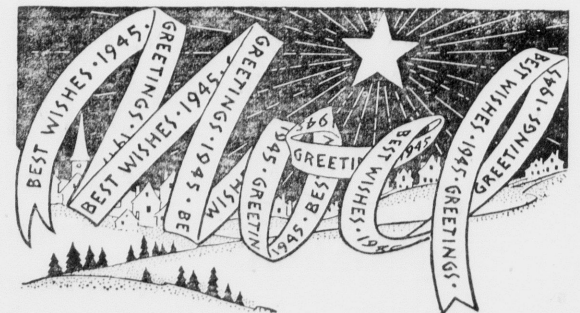
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NILES



Again may you know the fragrance
Of hemlock, pine and holly.
Again may friendly voices call
A greeting warm and jolly;
And again may the meaning of
Christmas,
Deep and still more true
Bring faith and hope and gladness
To the hearts of yours and you.

PEERLESS GRILL
NILES



Noel! Adeste Fideles! Holy Night!

Hark! The Herald Angels sing.
Once again the air is filled with song and music... the music of the spheres. Once again it's Christmas with all that this sacred holiday implies.

We hope that this Christmas of 1945 will be a truly happy Christmas for you and yours.

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...Around the Township...

The James Stanhopes Home for Christmas

Newlyweds Lt. and Mrs. James Stanhope, who have been in Phoenix, Arizona, since returning from their honeymoon, will be in Niles to spend Christmas and New Years. Lt. Stanhope has a 15-day leave from his base at Phoenix. He and his wife (Juanita Galvin) will have dinner with her family, at the home of Mrs. Galvin's mother, Mrs. Louisa Kik, in Oakland. Also present will be Mrs. Galvin's sister, Mrs. Lillian Bell, and her daughter and son and families.

Quaresmas Visiting In the South

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Quaresma and children of Newark will spend several days in San Luis Obispo, staying over Christmas, but returning before the new year. They both have relatives in San Luis. Mr. Quaresma is a Niles attorney.

Evelyn Rose Betrothed To Pacific Veteran

Miss Evelyn Rose, owner of the Rose Bud Beauty Shoppe in Niles, is announcing her engagement to T/Sgt. Keith Comfort, World War II veteran who has just returned from service in the South Pacific. Miss Rose, who has lived in Niles all her life, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Rose. She is a graduate of Washington Union High School.

The groom-elect, who has not yet received his discharge, will report to San Diego when his 30-day furlough expires, and will be stationed there until his discharge, in the near future. The couple, who have not yet announced the wedding date, will make their home in Niles. Mr. Comfort was formerly employed at the Pacific States Steel Company.

Young Shinn's Home After New Year's

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Shinn Jr., who are in the east visiting relatives, will not be home in time to be present at the family gathering on Christmas Day. The young Shinn will return around the first of the year. Those of the family who will be present, however, in addition to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Shinn Sr., will be their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Leonard, of Los Altos, and Mrs. Allen Shinn and her children.

Visit in L. A.

Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Thornburg and two daughters are leaving for Los Angeles today to spend the holidays with relatives.

To Be Residents Of Niles

Looking around for an apartment or house in this locality are Lt. Commander and Mrs. Fred Muller, son-in-law and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer O'Connell of Niles. The young man is on terminal leave and expects to be discharged shortly. They plan to be present at the Christmas gathering of the O'Connell clan, to be held at the O'Connell's ranch near Morgan Hill. There will be sixteen at the Christmas dinner table. The missing ones will be Mrs. O'Connell's son, Tom Linquist, who is still on duty in the Pacific, and his wife and daughter who are with her parents in the east.

Busy Days at Mayer Home

Mrs. L. A. Mayer will be a busy hostess over the holidays. On Saturday night she is giving a dinner for her father, F. J. Garcia, who will celebrate his 78th birthday. And on Christmas eve there will be open house at the Mayer home. Just members of the immediate family will be present on Christmas Day, however.

Family Christmas

Christmas dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Moore of Niles will be Mrs. Moore's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Diener of San Francisco, and Mr. Moore's mother, Mrs. Flora Moore of Oakland.

Extra Help at P. O.

The Misses Lillian Burr and Genevieve Smith have been added to the staff at the Niles Post Office to take care of the Christmas rush.

Solon's Almanac



DECEMBER

- 24—Eugene V. Debs (Socialist leader) pardoned by Pres. Harding, 1921.
- 25—Christmas Day.
- 26—U. S. takes over railroads for duration (World War I), 1917.
- 27—U. S. seizes railroads under strike threat, 1943.
- 28—U.S.S. "Relief" (first ambulance ship built) delivered to Navy, 1920.
- 29—Last major conflict between U. S. troops and Indians, 1890.
- 30—586 die as fire sweeps Iroquois Theatre in Chicago, 1903.
- 31—British repulse American attack on Quebec, 1775.

SOLON'S NICEST SPOT IN NILES Associated Service Station

Out-of-Towners At Alberg Home

One of the larger family dinners will be hosted by Mr. and Mrs. Jack Alberg of Niles. They will be assisted by their daughter, Mrs. Donald Chapman. Coming from Pleasanton will be their cousins, Mrs. Rasmussen and son, Major George Rasmussen. Mrs. Alberg's mother, Mrs. M. Atzeroth, will be accompanied from her San Francisco home by her son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Atzeroth, also from San Francisco, and by Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Raetz of San Francisco. Other guests are Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Dunsford of San Leandro.

Attend Tiny Tim Breakfast in Oakland

Mrs. C. E. Martenstein, Mrs. Robert Moore, Mrs. E. H. Hirsch and Mrs. William Trenouth attended the Tiny Tim breakfast, an annual affair that is given at the Hotel Leamington by the Handicapped and Crippled Children's Guild of Alameda County. Mrs. Martenstein is a charter member of the Guild and came back from the breakfast giving glowing reports of the marvelous work that is being done for handicapped children through the efforts of the Guild.

Holiday Guests At Roeding Home

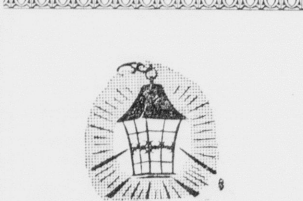
Mr. and Mrs. George Roeding Jr. are hosting a Christmas dinner party at their home at the Nursery, with the following guests present: Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Butler and son, Peter, and daughter, Jennifer, of Menlo Park; Dr. and Mrs. Carl Matthewson and Dennis and Ann from San Francisco; and Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Stark, and Lloyd Jr. and Margaret, from Menlo Park.

Family Dinner at Grimmer Home

Dr. and Mrs. E. M. Grimmer will have a family dinner at their Niles home. Those present will be Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wauhab and their two daughters, Miss Ethel Wauhab and Mrs. Tom Connolly, and Mrs. Grimmer's mother, Mrs. Louisa Nellis, and Martha and Anna Mae Grimmer, and Dr. and Mrs. Elmo Grimmer.

Betty Grau Hostess At Christmas Party

Miss Betty Grau will be hostess at her home Saturday night at a Christmas party for several of her high school friends. Dancing will be the order of the evening, followed, of course, by refreshments.



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CENTERVILLE NEWS

(Continued from page 1)

Seminary and for the past few months has served as student minister at the Presbyterian Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Rose and daughter, Sharon, of Centerville, are spending the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Rose's mother at Sacramento.

Visitors at the A. T. Burnsed home in Irvington last Sunday were their daughter and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Owen Roberts and Darla of Port Chicago.

Arriving at his home in Centerville last Saturday was Gilbert DeBorba, son of Dr. and Mrs. F. J. DeBorba. Young DeBorba is serving with the Army by attending the University of Chicago as a language student. He has been at the University since August and at present is home for thirty days.

Mrs. Leland Martin, who several months ago suffered a stroke, is getting along very well and at this writing is able to be up and around although is not allowed visitors as yet. Her many friends wish her a speedy recovery.

A little excitement in Centerville came last week when a car driven by John King of Centerville backed into the rear wheel of a passing truck and trailer. It seemed that Mr. King waited until the truck went by and then proceeded to back out, not realizing there was a trailer attached. King's car was damaged slightly. The accident occurred in front of the post office at around six in the evening.

Members of the Logan family, whose numbers are legion, will meet at the Allen Norris home in Centerville for the annual Christmas Eve party. About twenty-five—all family—are expected to be present.

Out-of-Town Guests

Christmas dinner guests at the Harvey Granger home in Decoto will be Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Granger of Richmond, and Mr. and Mrs. Roland Morgan of Piedmont.

Claud Lyons to Return Soon

Claude M. Lyons, assistant signal superintendent at the Southern Pacific, will be back at his job here after the first of the year. For the past three months he has been at the Fresno office. He is the American Legion commander of Washington Township Post.

Off to Carmel

The typewriter at the Register office will stop clicking for a couple of days to permit the editors, Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Batman and sons, Billy and Don, to drive to Carmel to spend the Christmas holiday.

Christmas in San Jose

Mr. and Mrs. William D. Cull will go to San Jose on Christmas day to have dinner with her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Smith.

William Millet of Centerville has received his commission as ensign in the Maritime Service and his papers as third mate in the Merchant Marine. He has been going to the Maritime Service Officers Candidate School in Alameda for the past four months and has been in the service since the spring of 1943. Billy expects to go out to sea after the first of the year.

Another member of the Millet family, their daughter, Gwendolyn, has served for the past twenty months with the Red Cross in Europe. She is at present doing recreation work in Munich, Germany. In recent letters to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Millet of Fremont avenue, Centerville, she has said that the whole of Germany is like one large ghost town. She also states that the only countries in Europe that she has yet to see are England and Switzerland.

Since Miss Millet has signed up for six more months with the Red Cross, her parents do not expect her home until late summer.

Miss Naomi Vieux of San Leandro spent several days this week with her mother, Mrs. John Lewis of Central avenue, Centerville. Miss Vieux is connected with the United Air Lines in San Francisco.

On display at the Centerville Garage is the new 1946 Dodge pickup. Representing the Dodge agency is Paul Hokinson, proprietor of the Centerville Garage.

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Once more we assemble in happy reunion to celebrate the age-old tradition of Christmas. Short though the days, long though the nights, the glowing background of Christmas makes all hearts light. Recalling now the happy relationships of 1945 we wish you the choicest blessings this holy season can bestow.

D. R. REES Niles New Drug Store

pretty well united again since Gerald Dutra has returned home from another trip with the Merchant Marines. He was gone four months this time and visited the Canal Zone, France, New Guinea, Manila, the Marshall Islands, Seattle, and then returned to San Francisco.

His plans for the future are indefinite but he may return to sea once again.

His two brothers, Clarence, who served with the Navy, and Edward, who was in the Army, have both received their discharges and are living with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Dutra of Fremont avenue.

Their daughter, Evelyn, was recently promoted to the rank of full lieutenant in the WAVES. She is a hydrographic officer and is at present stationed at Washington, D. C. Miss Dutra does not expect to receive her discharge until sometime this spring.

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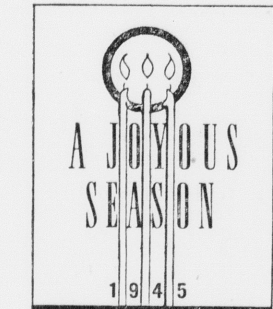
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TWENTY YEARS AGO...

(From the 1925 files of The Township Register)

Officers of the Niles Boy Scout Committee were selected as follows: secretary, H. Lovell Scott; inspector, Homer A. Pfeiffer; activities, Marsten Dassel; training, Roland Bendel; personnel, Earl Townsend and E. Dixon Bristow. Mr. Goozee was Scoutmaster.

The engagement of Mrs. Ella Sperbeck of Alameda and P. A. Ellis of Niles was announced.

The Victory Manufacturing Company was one of the Niles industries which enjoyed a good business year.

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WILD CHASE

(Continued from page 1)

he had not only stolen the car in
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burglary in Los Angeles! He gave
his name as Clarence Harvey, but
it was later revealed that he had
several aliases.

Our two young heroes watched
the proceedings at the police sta-
tion, and gave out all the informa-
tion they knew. But alas, when
they departed for home, they were
still without their \$2.31!

The city of Alameda, in Alameda
County, was incorporated April
19, 1854.

THE NEWS IN NEWARK

BY LOUISE CHAPMAN

The Newark Chamber of Commerce held its monthly meeting last Monday at the local grammar school. Among the many important items discussed was a bank and movie theater for Newark and a location for a doctor's and dentist's office. A. J. Petsche reported on the progress being made in connection with the new street lighting program. The principal speaker of the next meeting, which will be held on January 21, 1946, will be Miss Mary M. Gorgas of the Alameda Abatement District, who will give a talk on D.D.T. and its uses.

Saturday evening, December 14, the Women's Improvement Club held a dinner in honor of the husbands of the members at the home of Mrs. H. J. Bolyard. After the dinner gifts were passed among the guests, followed by an entertaining evening of cards. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Ray Truscott, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Gunn, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Alberts, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Scott, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Harris, Mrs. Daisy Snow, Mrs. Charlotte May, Mrs. Dora Fuller, Mrs. Eva Steinhoff, Mr. and Mrs. Jean Blainjean, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hanson, Mrs. Mary Texera, Mrs. Mary Gastelum and Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Bolyard.

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The plant, during war years,
was occupied by the Navy Materiel
Redistribution Center.

Further information about the
plant, its personnel, etc., will be
announced in the near future,
pending the return of the plant
manager from the south.

A surprise party was held in
Campbell, California, at the office
and home of Dr. Werthman and
his family, last night (Thursday).
Dr. Werthman was a commander
in the U. S. Naval Reserve and
was recently discharged and will
soon commence his private prac-
tice. His many friends from the
Township presented him with a
gift for his new home.

Among those who attended were:
Misses Nancy and Flora McCune,
"Sophie" Gwerder, Newark; Judge
and Mrs. Allen Norris, Mr. and
Mrs. Max Stevenson, Miss Edith
Benjamin, Harry Stevenson, Mr.
and Mrs. Charles Wauhab and Dr.
and Mrs. Holeman, all of Cen-
terville.

The Chemical Workers Union
will hold their annual dance at
the Newark Pavilion this coming
Saturday, December 22. Murray
Peterson will furnish the music
and a very good time is promised
to all who attend.

Mrs. Marie Freitas reports that
her husband, Hayden Freitas, will
be arriving home very soon since
he is now at Camp Beale awaiting
his discharge.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Chapman
plan to have their annual family
gathering on Christmas Eve at
their home on Dairy avenue.
Santa Claus will arrive during
the evening to distribute the gifts
to the younger members of the
family.

Mike Gwerder returned this
week after spending a few days

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at the Merritt Hospital where he
underwent a nose operation.

The girl members of the Wash-
ington Union High School Glee
Club went to Camp Shoemaker
on December 18 and presented a
program of songs to the service
boys.

Gary Bettencourt is convalesc-
ing at his home on Central avenue
after a hurried trip to the San
Jose Hospital on Friday of last
week for an appendix operation.
Dr. Holeman, the attending physi-
cian, says he is progressing nicely
and will soon be up and around
again.

The S.P.R.S.I. Lodge No. 58 held
their annual Christmas tree party
last Thursday at the Newark Pa-
villion. Gifts were exchanged by
the members, after which followed
delicious refreshments that all en-
joyed.

Mr. and Mrs. Val Lotti will have
as guests during the Christmas
holidays, Mrs. Lotti's family of
Santa Maria.

On December 23, "Sophie" will
have her annual Christmas party.
There will be a Christmas tree
and free buffet lunch of baked
ham and smoked turkey with all
the trimmings. Everyone is wel-
come to come and have a good
time.

The Masonic and Eastern Star
Lodges held a Christmas party on

Wednesday night for the members
of the combined lodges and their
children. Those attending from
Newark were Mr. and Mrs. Wm.
Back and children, Dorothy and
Bobby, and their friend, Charlotte
Seward.

moved into their new store loca-
tion last Tuesday. They report
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coming Sunday to accommodate the
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